

# RIA Grant Program Summary for FY2020

## \$25,000,000 in Available Funding

### Basic Infrastructure

***Assist communities in bringing systems into compliance with environmental quality standards, protecting public health from environmental concerns or improving the capacity of existing infrastructure. Priorities include:***

- Projects that implement a regional or cooperative approach that leads to greater system sustainability.
- Projects that address *consent orders* or *unsatisfactory ratings* related to public health or environmental quality or emergency projects that will resolve an imminent public health or environmental threat that has become critical in the past six months.
- Projects that address facilities *needing improvement* as identified by DHEC or that have led to frequent *violations* of DHEC water quality standards.
- Projects that improve existing infrastructure that has reached the end of its useful life or is in severely deteriorating condition or other improvements that will have a significant impact on system capacity.

### Economic Infrastructure

***Build local infrastructure capacity to support economic development activities that will lead to the creation or retention of jobs and boost opportunities for economic impact within communities. Priorities include:***

- Projects that create impact through new job creation and private investment.
- Projects that will expand system capacity to help existing businesses create or retain jobs or to accommodate reasonable growth.
- Projects that support development of publically-owned industrial sites or industrial parks.
- Projects that serve other publically-owned properties with demonstrated potential to create or retain jobs and private investment.

### ELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES

New construction, upgrades, improvements or extensions of water or sewer infrastructure or storm water drainage.

### ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS

Units of Local Government, Special Purpose Districts, Public Works Commissions and Public Works Districts  
(Local Governments may apply on behalf of non-profit water and sewer companies)

### GRANT AMOUNT

\$500,000

### MATCH REQUIREMENTS

- All applicants:  
100% of Non-Construction Costs
- Projects in Tier I or II Counties:  
25% of Total Construction Costs

### APPLICATIONS DUE

- September 9, 2019
- March 16, 2020

**Download the application at**  
**[www.ria.sc.gov](http://www.ria.sc.gov)**



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